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Mr. James C. Wilkes
Wilkes and Artie
Tower Building
Washington 3, D. C.

Dear Mr. Wilkes:

Thank you for your letter of March 7, 1956, to Mr. Dallas, on behalf of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Winkler, requesting the withdrawal of their offer to sell to the Central Intelligence Agency a tract of land fronting on Shirley Memorial Highway and Seminary Road in Alexandria, Virginia.

By your letter of August 3, 1955, Mr. and Mrs. Winkler offered to sell seventy acres of land, and to make a gift of an additional fifteen acres of land to the United States of America, for the use of the Central Intelligence Agency headquarters office building, a total of eighty-five acres for a consideration of \$305,000. Subsequently, on September 16, 1955, you telephoned a representative of this Agency and amended this original offer by offering to sell to the Central Intelligence Agency an additional twenty acres of land at the rate of \$5,000 an acre for an additional amount of \$100,000, making the total offer one hundred five acres of land for a total consideration of \$405,000. On behalf of the United States Government, the Central Intelligence Agency hereby releases Mr. and Mrs. Winkler from any and all obligations and considerations attendant to their offer of August 3, 1955, as amended by the telephone conversation of September 16, 1955, and considers this offer to be withdrawn.

I should like to request that you express to Mr. and Mrs. Winkler our sincere appreciation for their cooperation and assistance throughout the long and difficult deliberations we have experienced in the selection of our site.

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Sincerely,

L. E. White
Deputy Director

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